

## Proclamation Presented

## In Recognition of the 31st Annual Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival was founded by the late Juliet Ehulani Enoka-Lum; continued today by her daughter, Deanie Wailani Lum-Villiados; and

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival honors King Kalākaua and is known to be the oldest hula festival outside of the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival will be hosted by Halau Kaulana Nā Pua 'O Hawai'i and sponsored by the Kumu Hula Association of Northern California; and

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival invites hula and language teachers from Hawai'i every year to interview the various hula teachers prior to the Festival as well as answer any questions from the participating teachers directly after the Festival; and

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival continuously strives to perpetuate the Hawaiian culture by keeping the language, chant, dance, song and rich cultural values alive and sharing the spirit of *aloha* between all participants; and

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival is accomplishing what its founders visualized, the strengthening of the Hawaiian culture throughout parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, the Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival will be held from November 4-6, 2011 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, California;

THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the week of November 4-11, 2011 as

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in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in supporting the 31st Annual Iā 'Oe E Ka Lā Hula Festival and its vision of perpetuating the Hawaiian culture and spreading the spirit of *aloha* throughout the world.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of May, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

**RRIAN SCHATZ** 

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i